



Minutes of a meeting of
the Capital Region Board
held at Chateau Louis, Grand Ballroom
on Thursday, July 9, 2009

Delegates in Attendance:

Mr. Christopher Sheard - Interim Chair
Councillor Jacqueline Biollo - Beaumont
Mayor Lin VanDusen - Bon Accord
Mayor Fred Hawryluk - Bruderheim
Mayor Kirk Popik - Calmar
Mayor Anita Fisher - Devon
Mayor Stephen Mandel - Edmonton
Mayor Jim Sheasgreen - Fort Saskatchewan
Mayor Bill Nimmo – Gibbons
Mayor Steven Sharun - Lamont
Reeve Wayne Woldanski - Lamont County
Mayor Greg Krischke - Leduc
Mayor Marvin Molzan- Leduc County
Mayor Lloyd Bertschi - Morinville
Mayor Rob Wiedeman – Parkland County
Mayor Mel Smith - Redwater
Mayor Nolan Crouse - St. Albert
Alderman Randy Palivoda - Spruce Grove
Mayor Cathy Olesen – Strathcona County
Mayor Donald Rigney – Sturgeon County
Mayor Allan Gee - Thorsby
Mayor Grant Kulak - Wabamun
Councillor May Metke - Warburg

Mr. Rob Penny - Government of Alberta

Absent:

Mayor Albert St. Jean - Legal
Mayor Carmen Fedirko – New Sarepta
Mayor Ken Lemke – Stony Plain

CRB Staff:

Kathleen LeClair, Chief Officer
Andy Haden, Project Manager
Sharon Shuya, Project Manager
Lisa Sederski, Executive Assistant
Brandy Moorhead, Administrative Assistant



This meeting was open to the public except for Agenda item 6, which was held in-camera.

1. Call to Order and Chair's opening remarks

Called to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. Approval of Minutes of June 11, 2009

Motion: To accept the minutes of June 11, 2009.

Moved by Mayor Smith. **Seconded by** Mayor Fisher.

Motion approved unanimously.

3. Representations from the Public

a. Wildlife Rehabilitation Society of Edmonton

Cheryl Feldstein, Executive Director, gave a presentation advocating the development of a regional strategy where municipalities work in collaboration with a number of partners, including the Wildlife Rehabilitation Society, to develop and implement a multi-stakeholder Regional Contaminated Wildlife Strategy.

It was noted that the Wildlife Rehabilitation Society is funded through donations. The current level of donations would not support a regional multi-stakeholder strategy. The Wildlife Rehabilitation Society would be looking to the Board for financial aid for this strategy (approximately \$200,000).

Further discussion of this topic may come forward at a future meeting.

4. TREF Applications

The Interim Chair reminded members that the TREF process and criteria remain in place until such time that a successor to TREF is approved by the Province. It was noted that the Province is in discussions with the CRB administration regarding the design of the successor to TREF.

5. Public Transit

a. Cost Allocation Formula

Mayor Crouse gave an overview and rationale for the revised motion.

Revised Motion: That the Capital Region Board approve the project committee membership herein for the development of a proposed cost allocation formula for sharing regional transit service costs. The committee membership is comprised of CAO's and will be responsible to develop a cost allocation formula for approval by the Board prior to October 1, 2009.



The proposed membership of the Committee is:

Cities	Counties	Towns
Edmonton	Leduc County	Devon
Leduc	Strathcona County	Beaumont
Spruce Grove	Parkland County	Gibbons
St. Albert		
Fort Saskatchewan		

Moved by Mayor Crouse.

Motion approved unanimously.

b. Traffic Safety Act and Regulation

Mayor Crouse provided members with background on this issue. The Advocacy and Communications Committee was encouraged to look into this issue further.

The Board agreed to change wording in the last sentence to read: "...and indeed may prohibit the ability to legally operate regional public transit services throughout the Capital Region." As well, the Board identified additional parties to be carbon copied.

Motion: That the Interim Chair send a letter to the Premier in the form presented to the meeting with the changes identified.

Moved by Mayor Crouse. **Seconded by** Mayor Mandel.

Motion approved unanimously.

6. Committee of the Whole

a. Regional Advocacy and Communications Committee – membership

A copy of the committee membership was provided to members. It was noted that alternates for this committee are not required. The Board endorsed the membership as identified in the handout.

Moved by Mayor Olesen. **Seconded by** Mayor Krischke.

Motion approved unanimously.

b. Committee Reports

i. Transit Committee

A copy of the July 9, 2009 Report (#1) was provided to members.



- ii. Land Use Committee
A copy of the July 9, 2009 Report (#7) was provided to members.
- iii. Housing Committee
A copy of the July 9, 2009 Report (#1) was provided to members.
- iv. GIS Committee
A copy of the July 9, 2009 Report (#1) was provided to members.
- v. Governance Committee
A copy of the July 3, 2009 Report (#6) was provided to members. Mayor Olesen brought forward the issue of appointing an Interim Vice-Chair to the Board. Mr. Sheard noted that such an appointment should not be interpreted as a succession to the Chair position. The Governance Committee was encouraged to discuss succession planning and bring options to the Board at a future meeting.

Motion: That the Chair of the Governance Committee act as the Interim Vice-Chair to the Board.

Moved by Mayor Mandel. **Seconded by** Mayor Popik.

Motion approved unanimously.

- c. Implementation Issues
 - i. Draft 2009-2010 Implementation Workplan
A copy of the June 30, 2009 Implementation Workplan was provided to members for their information.

7. Other Business

An updated copy of the Board meeting schedule was provided to the members along with a Board and Committee meetings master schedule.

Mayor Rigney brought forward a Notice of Motion with respect to the Heartland Transmission Project. The Board requested that formal documentation, including a written Notice of Motion and a briefing note, be provided to members by August 1, 2009 so Councils have adequate time to review prior to the next Board meeting. Municipalities were asked to forward any relevant resolutions to the CRB administration for circulation.

Notice of Motion: That the Capital Region Board send a letter to the proponents that they must use the existing transmission corridors established by the Province over 30 years ago. Furthermore, that the Capital Region Board send a letter to the Province requesting, with all due respect, that they do the same.

Moved by Mayor Rigney.

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 10:57 a.m.